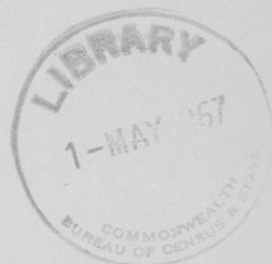


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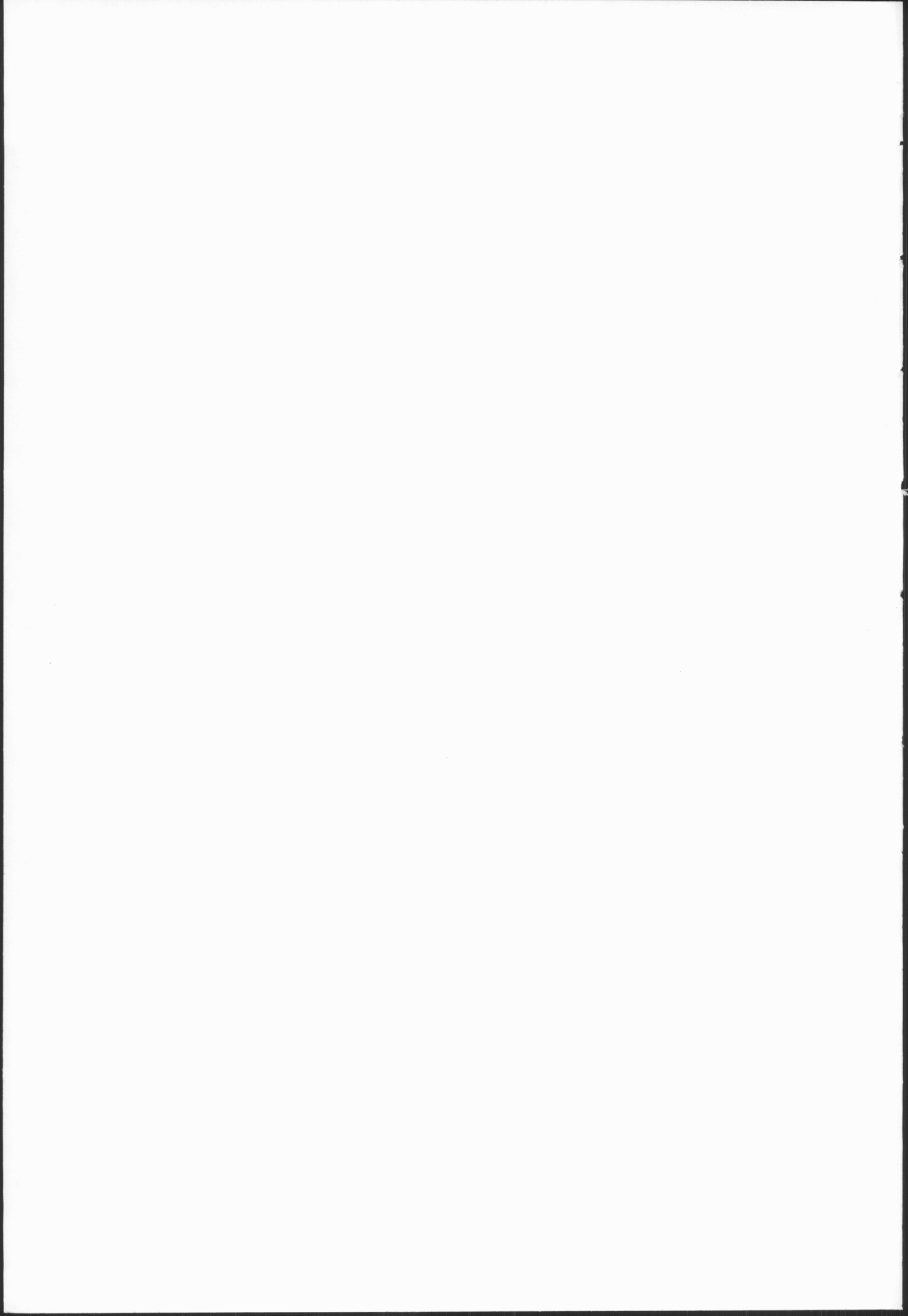


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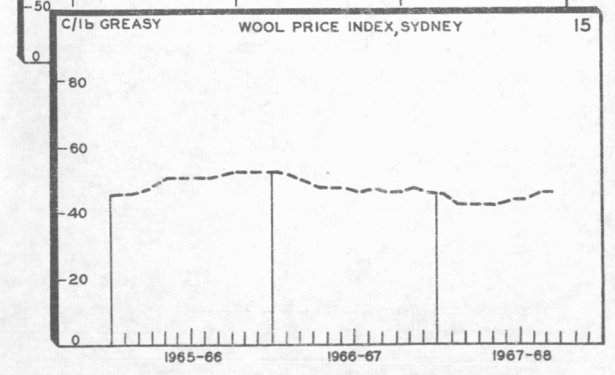
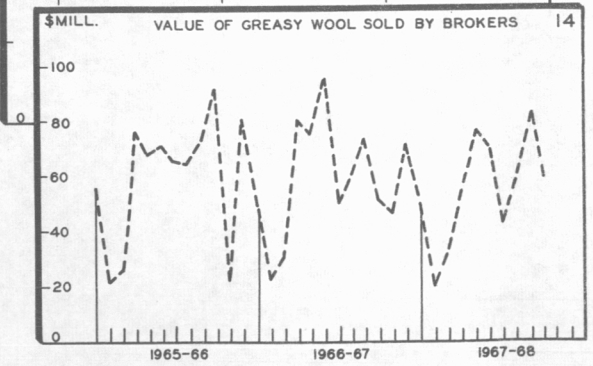
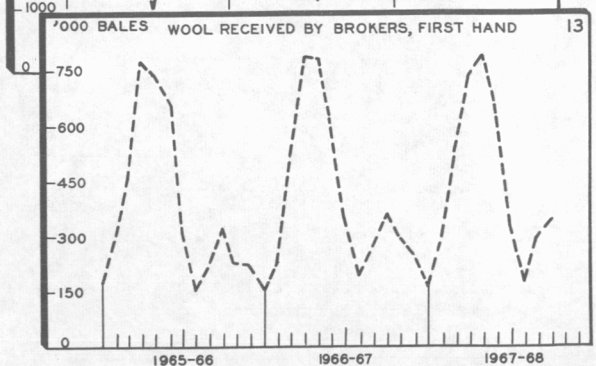
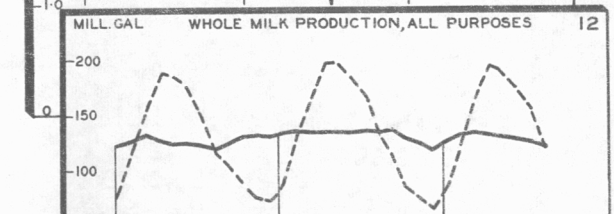
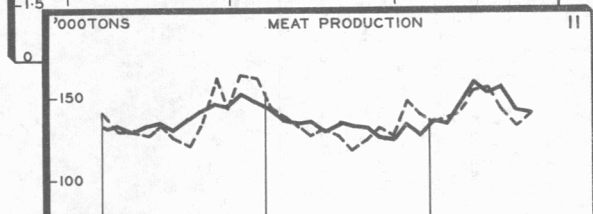
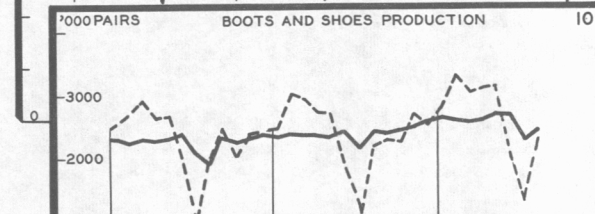
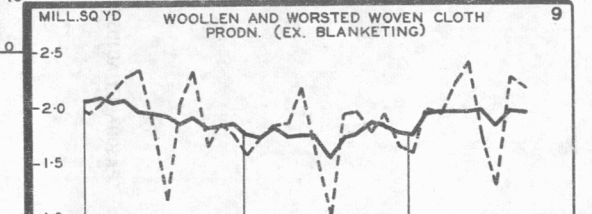
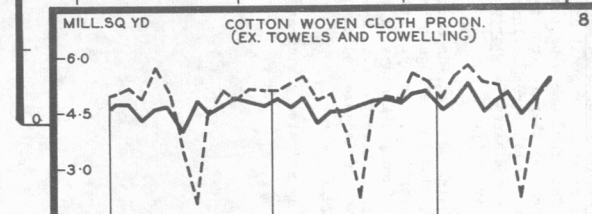
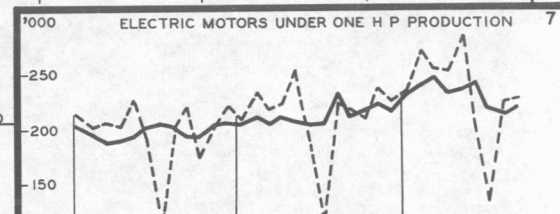
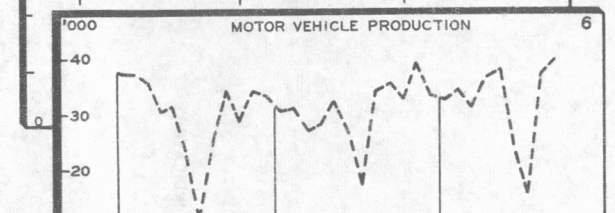
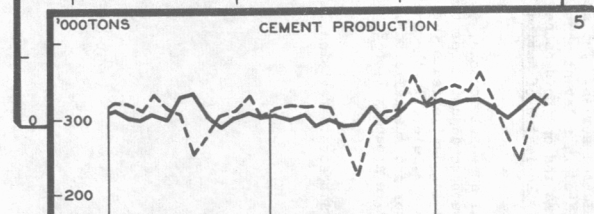
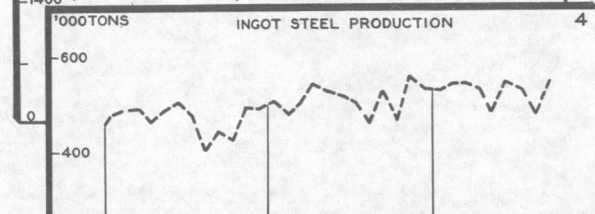
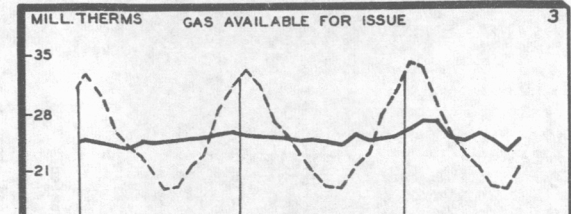
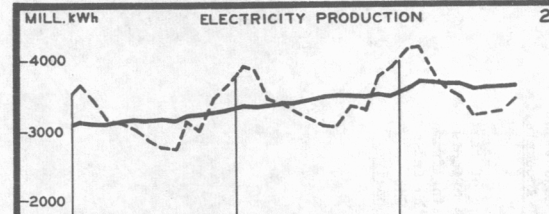
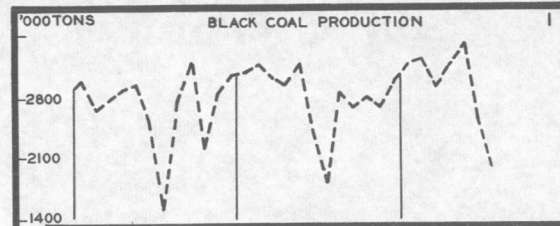
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		1966-67												1967-68											
		July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June
PRODUCTION, ETC. (a)																									
1. BLACK COAL PRODUCTION	'000 tons	Original	3,065	3,152	3,008	2,923	3,163	2,490	1,803	2,841	2,655	2,799	3,422	2,953	3,159	3,199	2,900	3,159	3,388	2,500	1,990				
2. ELECTRICITY PRODUCTION	mill.kWh	Original	3,923	3,848	3,453	3,387	3,276	3,162	3,077	3,065	3,335	3,306	3,793	3,879	4,175	4,202	3,755	3,607	3,508	3,202	3,233	3,279	3,482		
		Adjusted	3,397	3,384	3,395	3,428	3,427	3,463	3,501	3,509	3,507	3,494	3,515	3,510	3,605	3,705	3,700	3,625	3,669	3,558	3,620	3,619	3,665		
3. GAS AVAILABLE FOR ISSUE	mill.therms	Original	33.0	31.5	26.7	25.2	22.5	20.8	18.7	18.4	21.5	22.5	27.8	30.4	34.0	33.3	28.4	25.0	22.3	21.2	18.8	18.3	21.2		
		Adjusted	25.3	25.3	25.1	25.1	24.7	24.8	24.5	24.2	25.3	24.4	24.7	24.9	26.0	26.8	26.8	24.8	24.5	25.4	24.5	23.3	24.7		
4. INGOT STEEL PRODUCTION	'000 tons	Original	509	480	504	541	524	516	508	456	523	462	553	530	526	540	541	530	477	544	526	479	548		
5. CEMENT PRODUCTION	'000 tons	Original	314	319	315	316	313	267	221	290	307	309	353	315	336	341	333	354	324	277	240	312	329		
		Adjusted	305	300	306	292	301	289	291	317	292	305	326	316	326	321	324	326	312	301	314	329	316		
6. MOTOR VEHICLE PRODUCTION	'000	Original	30.5	31.1	26.8	28.1	32.6	26.5	17.1	34.5	35.9	32.8	39.1	33.4	32.8	34.8	31.1	36.8	38.1	24.3	15.6	37.2	40.0		
7. ELECTRIC MOTORS UNDER ONE HP, PRODUCTION	'000	Original	207	233	216	221	254	186	111	222	216	210	237	227	235	273	253	251	287	202	131	224	227		
		Adjusted	203	212	204	212	208	204	204	222	213	218	225	216	233	242	247	233	236	229	218	213	219		
8. COTTON WOVEN CLOTH PRODUCTION (excluding towels and towelling)	'000 sq yd	Original	5,125	5,326	5,526	4,842	5,043	3,927	2,119	4,630	4,968	4,839	5,590	5,375	4,816	5,530	5,809	5,310	5,227	4,232	2,163	4,915	5,379		
		Adjusted	4,930	4,668	4,962	4,236	4,595	4,585	4,731	4,804	4,945	4,798	5,022	5,109	4,600	4,868	5,329	4,481	4,853	5,056	4,451	4,925	5,411		
9. WOOLLEN AND WORSTED WOVEN CLOTH PRODUCTION (excluding blanketing)	'000 sq yd	Original	1,581	1,748	1,844	1,867	2,186	1,584	992	1,922	1,977	1,787	1,943	1,620	1,596	1,989	1,916	2,243	2,402	1,729	1,285	2,244	2,170		
		Adjusted	1,730	1,719	1,815	1,710	1,758	1,768	1,538	1,744	1,765	1,875	1,811	1,786	1,752	1,948	1,926	1,969	1,972	1,983	1,820	1,967	1,958		
10. BOOTS AND SHOES PRODUCTION	'000 pairs	Original	2,499	3,038	2,917	2,728	2,733	1,904	1,108	2,219	2,328	2,282	2,709	2,543	2,808	3,312	3,027	3,117	3,154	2,040	1,318	2,330			
		Adjusted	2,359	2,411	2,389	2,381	2,349	2,442	2,170	2,455	2,410	2,448	2,539	2,579	2,662	2,604	2,561	2,619	2,724	2,702	2,337	2,466			
11. MEAT PRODUCTION	'000 tons	Original	144	138	133	128	131	127	119	125	131	128	149	139	135	137	141	154	156	142	132	141			
		Adjusted	143	136	134	136	130	136	133	131	125	125	135	128	136	134	148	160	154	157	143	141			
12. WHOLE MILK PRODUCTION, ALL PURPOSES	mill.gal	Original	89	131	165	198	198	184	168	130	116	85	73	65	86	126	160	194	189	173	155	119			
		Adjusted	133	135	135	135	135	133	137	135	137	129	125	119	129	131	132	130	130	126	125	120			
13. WOOL RECEIVED BY BROKERS, FIRST HAND	'000 bales	Original	231.5	502.9	789.5	782.5	627.3	348.2	192.7	278.4	361.3	299.4	239.6	160.0	282.8	542.8	736.2	790.4	667.5	324.4	179.4	297.7	347.2		
14. VALUE OF GREASY WOOL SOLD BY BROKERS	\$ mill.	Original	22.2	30.7	80.1	75.1	95.6	49.6	60.1	73.3	51.1	46.6	71.3	52.3	19.8	32.2	55.2	76.1	70.3	42.4	59.3	83.4	59.0		
15. WOOL PRICE INDEX, SYDNEY	cents per lb greasy	Original	53	52	50	48	48	48	47	48	47	47	48	47	46	43	43	43	*	*	*	*	*		

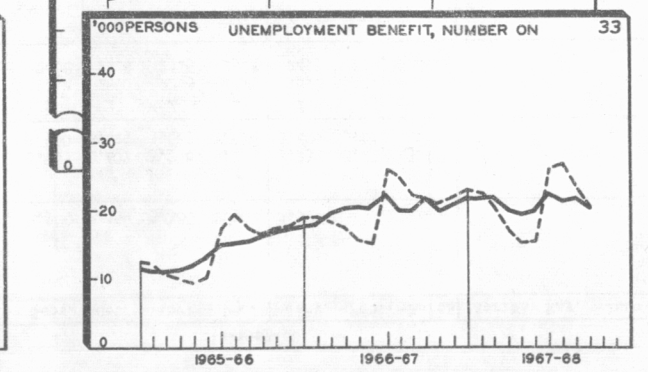
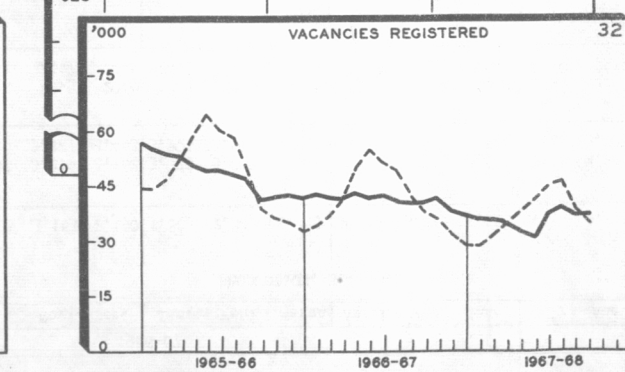
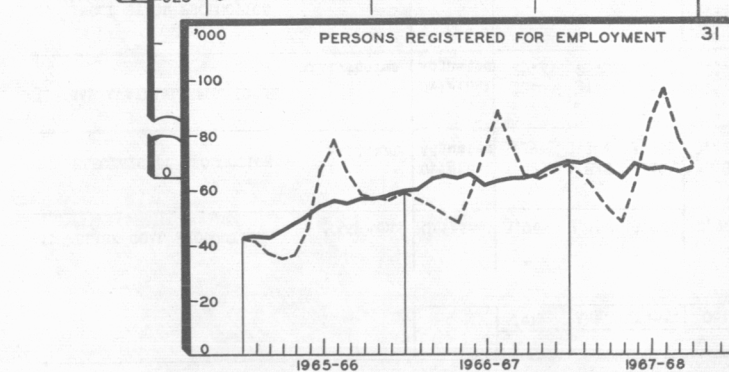
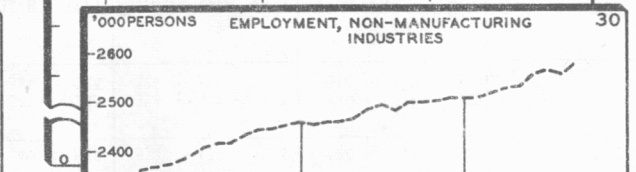
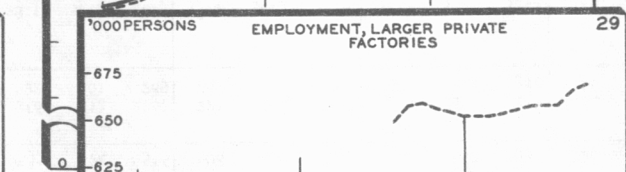
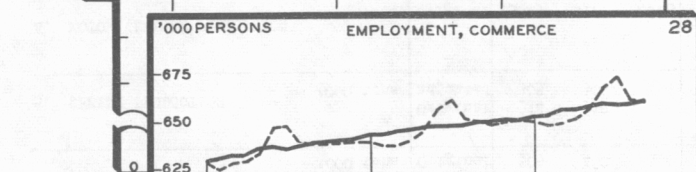
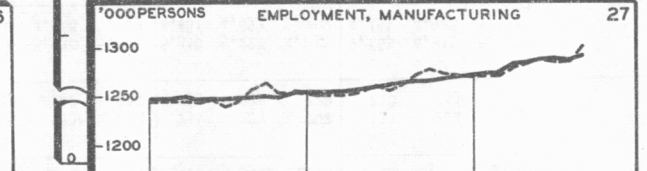
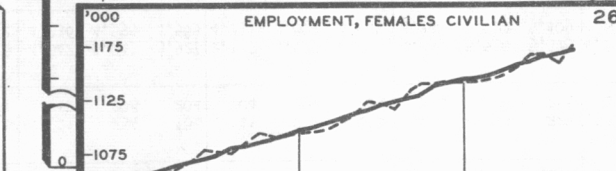
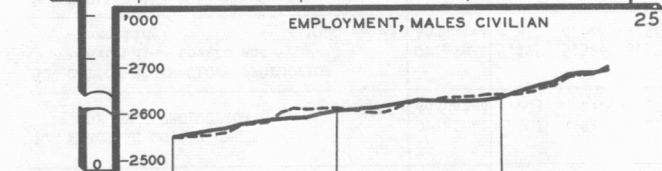
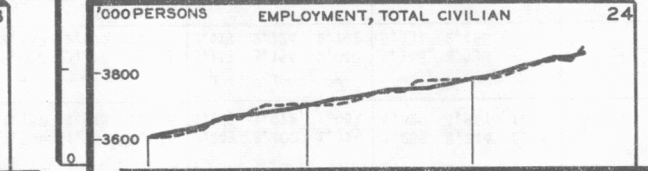
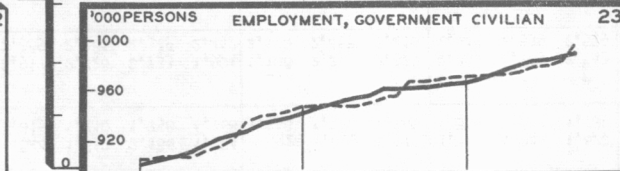
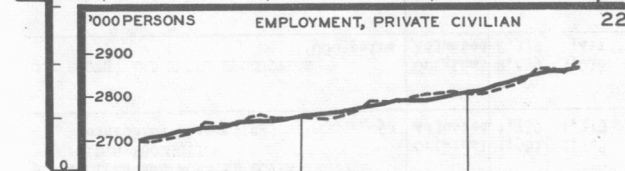
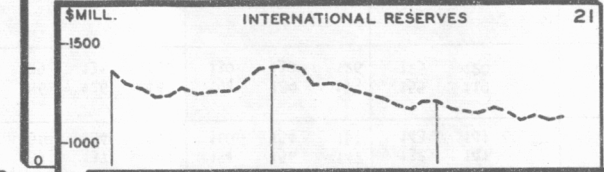
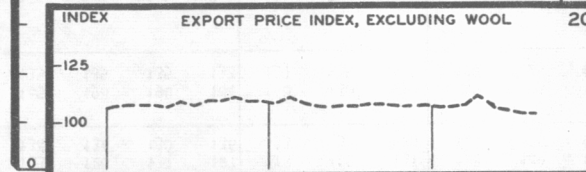
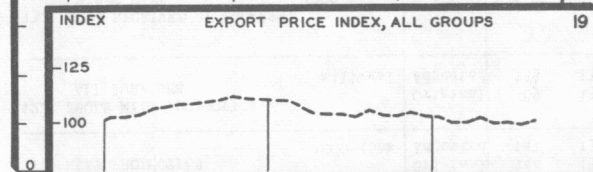
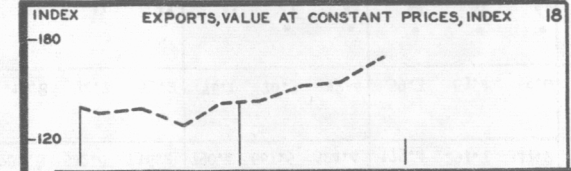
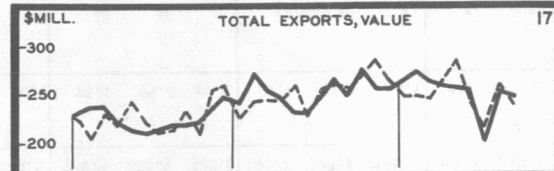
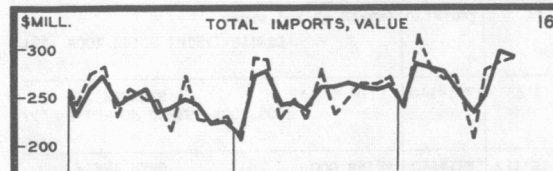
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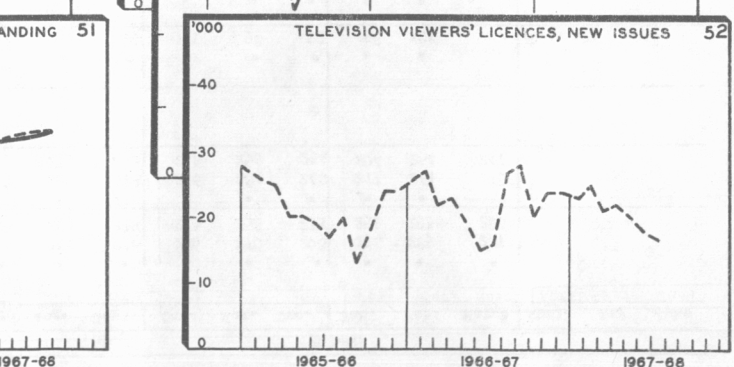
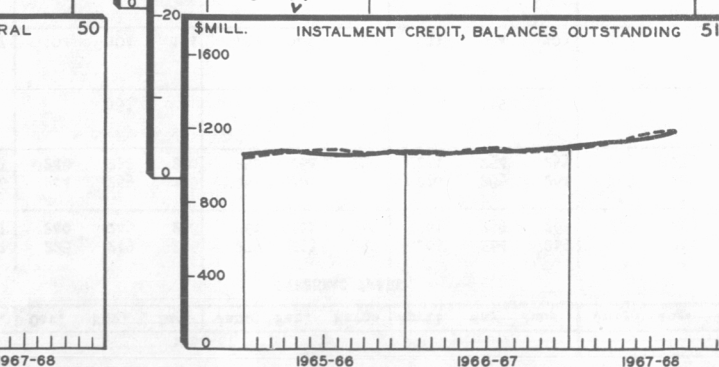
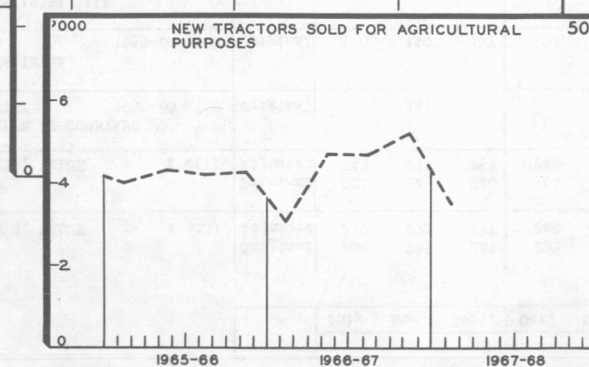
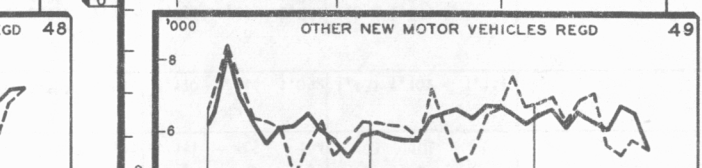
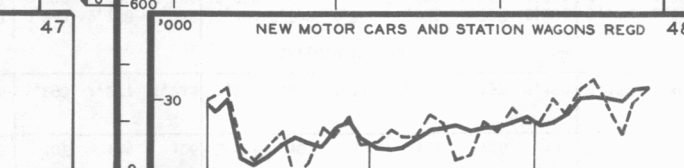
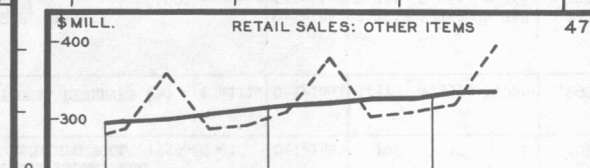
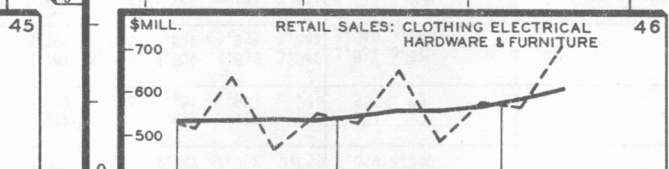
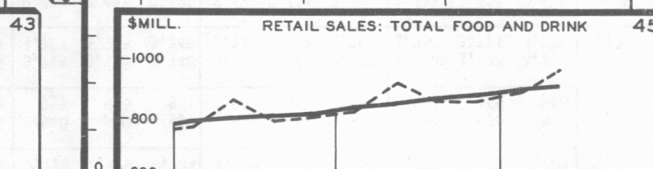
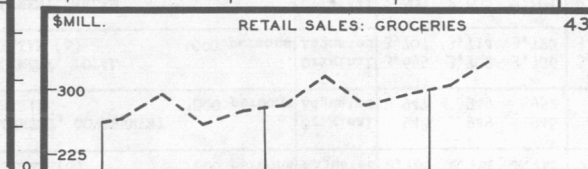
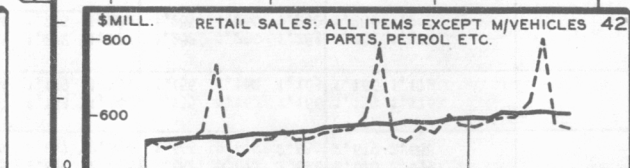
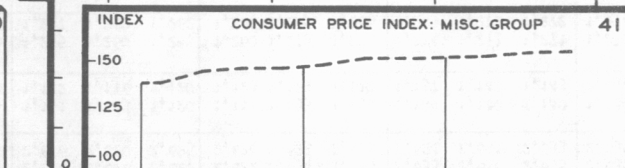
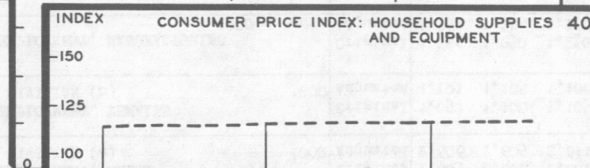
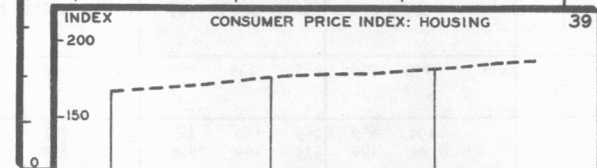
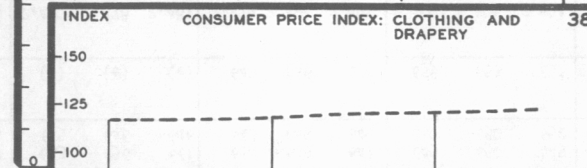
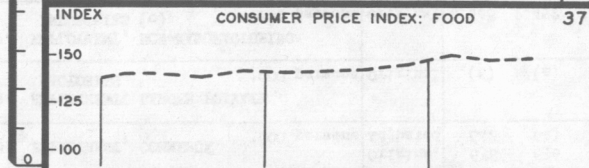
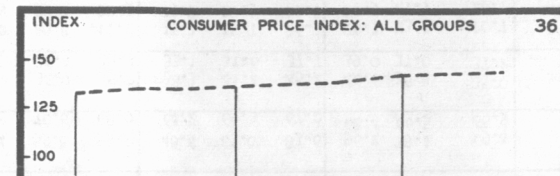
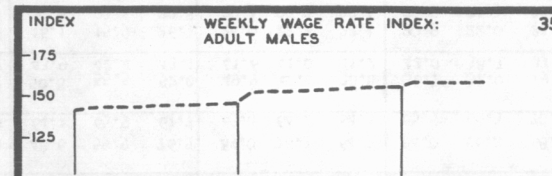
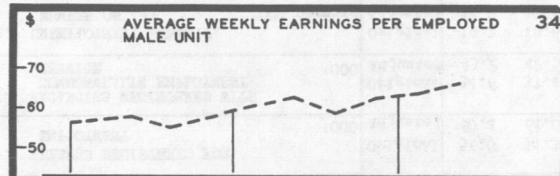
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OVERSEAS TRADE																									
16. TOTAL IMPORTS, VALUE	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	206 210	289 270	287 277	228 240	249 245	226 238	279 261	233 261	250 265	265 261	264 259	269 263	* 236 238	* 315 285	* 276 279	* 266 275	* 270 258	* 208 233	* 276 252	* 285 297	* 287 288		
17. TOTAL EXPORTS, VALUE	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	226 243	245 271	246 253	244 248	259 232	228 230	256 252	260 266	239 250	270 274	285 254	264 255	* 247 265	* 248 273	* 248 265	* 266 258	* 284 256	* 240 254	* 217 204	* 261 254	238 247		
18. EXPORTS, VALUE AT CONSTANT PRICES, INDEX 1959-60 = 100		Original		143			151			154			169												
19. EXPORT PRICE INDEX, ALL GROUPS 1959-60 = 100		Original	110	110	107	104	104	104	103	105	103	103	104	103	* 102	* 99	* 99	* 101	* 98	* 99	* 98	* 101			
20. EXPORT PRICE INDEX, ALL GROUPS EXCLUDING WOOL 1959-60 = 100		Original	108	110	108	106	105	106	106	107	107	106	106	107	106	106	107	111	105	104	103	103			
21. INTERNATIONAL RESERVES (a)	\$ mill.	Original	1,379	1,359	1,286	1,290	1,277	1,248	1,236	1,215	1,175	1,158	1,197	1,198	1,157	1,151	1,143	1,170	1,146	1,092	1,131	1,102	1,117		
EMPLOYMENT (b)																									
22. EMPLOYMENT, PRIVATE CIVILIAN (c)	'000 persons	Original Adjusted	2,751 2,761	2,753 2,764	2,758 2,768	2,767 2,772	2,788 2,779	2,788 2,784	2,782 2,788	2,800 2,791	2,805 2,791	2,805 2,797	2,808 2,805	2,806 2,809	2,804 2,814	2,812 2,823	2,822 2,832	2,836 2,842	2,861 2,852	2,862 2,859	2,854 2,859	2,879 2,869			
23. EMPLOYMENT, GOVERNMENT CIVILIAN	'000 persons	Original Adjusted	948 947	949 949	948 952	948 955	950 956	954 961	956 960	967 961	967 961	968 963	970 965	970 966	971 969	972 972	972 976	973 980	977 983	980 986	983 987	996 990			
24. EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL CIVILIAN (c)	'000 persons	Original Adjusted	3,699 3,707	3,702 3,714	3,706 3,720	3,715 3,727	3,738 3,735	3,742 3,745	3,739 3,747	3,767 3,752	3,772 3,752	3,773 3,760	3,778 3,771	3,775 3,775	3,775 3,783	3,783 3,795	3,794 3,808	3,809 3,822	3,838 3,835	3,842 3,844	3,837 3,846	3,875 3,860			
25. EMPLOYMENT, MALES CIVILIAN (c)	'000	Original Adjusted	2,603 2,606	2,602 2,609	2,601 2,611	2,604 2,616	2,616 2,620	2,622 2,625	2,622 2,624	2,634 2,623	2,633 2,621	2,633 2,624	2,638 2,631	2,635 2,633	2,635 2,639	2,640 2,647	2,646 2,656	2,654 2,666	2,671 2,675	2,676 2,680	2,678 2,679	2,699 2,688			
26. EMPLOYMENT, FEMALES CIVILIAN (c)	'000	Original Adjusted	1,097 1,101	1,100 1,105	1,105 1,108	1,111 1,112	1,123 1,116	1,120 1,120	1,116 1,123	1,133 1,129	1,139 1,130	1,139 1,137	1,140 1,140	1,140 1,143	1,140 1,144	1,143 1,149	1,148 1,152	1,155 1,156	1,167 1,160	1,166 1,165	1,159 1,166	1,176 1,172			
27. EMPLOYMENT, MANUFACTURING	'000 persons	Original Adjusted	1,251 1,253	1,250 1,253	1,250 1,254	1,255 1,257	1,260 1,260	1,255 1,262	1,260 1,264	1,273 1,265	1,277 1,266	1,274 1,269	1,273 1,272	1,271 1,272	1,271 1,274	1,272 1,275	1,277 1,282	1,282 1,285	1,290 1,290	1,283 1,290	1,284 1,288	1,300 1,292			
28. EMPLOYMENT, COMMERCE	'000 persons	Original Adjusted	636 642	636 643	639 644	643 645	656 646	661 646	650 648	649 649	647 649	649 650	650 650	649 652	647 653	649 656	651 656	656 657	668 659	673 658	661 659	660 661			
29. EMPLOYMENT, LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES	'000 persons	Original	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	647	656	658	655	653	651	651	651	652	654	656	656	656	664	668		
30. EMPLOYMENT, NON-MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES (c)	'000 persons	Original	2,448	2,452	2,456	2,460	2,478	2,487	2,479	2,494	2,495	2,499	2,505	2,504	2,504	2,511	2,517	2,526	2,549	2,558	2,553	2,575			
31. PERSONS REGISTERED FOR EMPLOYMENT	'000	Original Adjusted	56.8 60.4	54.3 64.0	50.9 65.0	48.6 64.1	59.9 65.9	76.5 61.7	89.0 63.4	76.3 64.2	64.9 64.3	64.0 65.5	66.2 68.3	68.5 70.1	65.4 69.8	59.8 70.8	53.2 68.0	48.6 64.2	63.0 69.3	83.6 67.2	96.2 68.4	79.1 66.5	69.4 68.9		
32. VACANCIES REGISTERED WITH COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE	'000	Original Adjusted	34.6 43.2	37.4 42.5	41.2 41.7	50.8 43.9	55.5 42.4	52.0 43.1	49.9 41.6	42.6 41.0	38.8 41.2	36.7 42.0	32.0 38.7	29.3 37.5	29.2 36.5	32.0 36.3	35.0 35.4	38.3 33.1	41.4 31.6	45.4 37.7	46.6 39.0	38.4 37.0	35.0 37.2		
33. UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT, NUMBER ON (d)	'000 persons	Original Adjusted	19.2 18.2	18.6 19.6	17.6 20.7	16.1 20.8	15.9 20.6	26.3 22.8	25.0 20.3	22.2 20.2	22.1 22.1	20.9 20.5	22.0 21.3	23.4 22.1	23.0 21.9	20.8 22.0	17.2 20.3	15.3 19.8	15.7 20.3	26.3 22.8	26.7 21.5	23.9 21.7	20.7 20.7		

(a) "Gold and Foreign Exchange held by Reserve Bank" was \$1,009 million on 14.2.68, \$996 m. on 13.3.68, \$1,020 m. on 10.4.68.

(b) Figures in items 22-30 refer only to employed wage and salary earners. Except for those in item 29, the figures are subject to revision. (c) Excludes employees in rural industry and in private domestic service. (d) Last Saturday of month. (e) Comparable statistics not available. * Preliminary. / Revised. ø Reserves fell by \$24.8 m. between the last Wednesdays in October and November. This fall includes a loss of approx. \$113 m. resulting from the devaluation of United Kingdom and New Zealand currencies.

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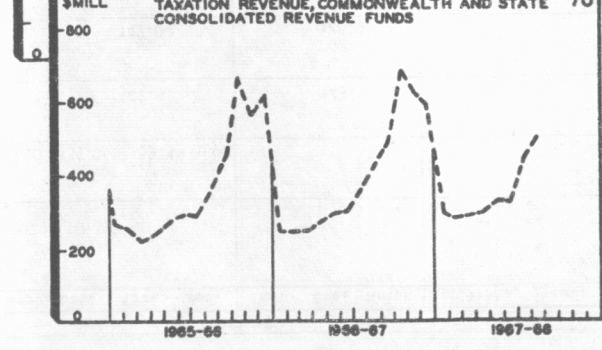
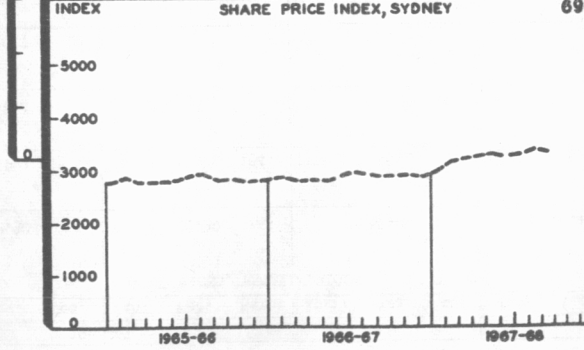
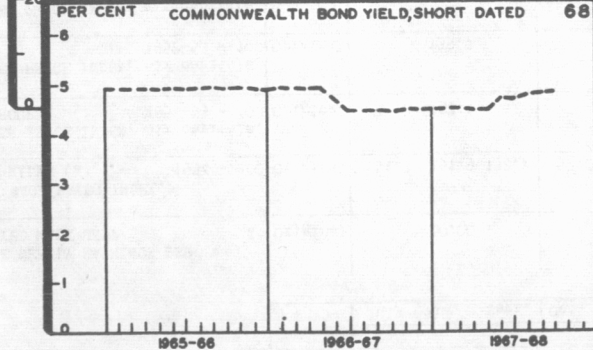
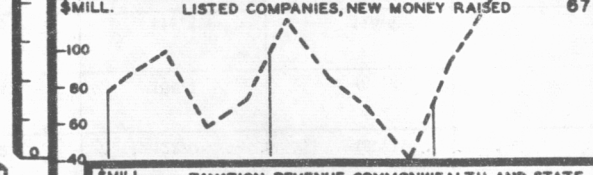
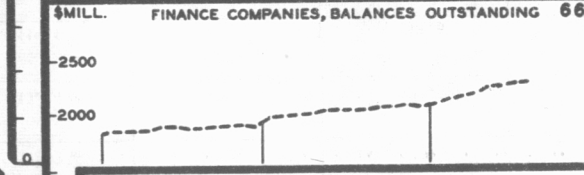
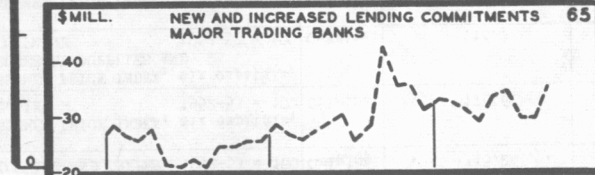
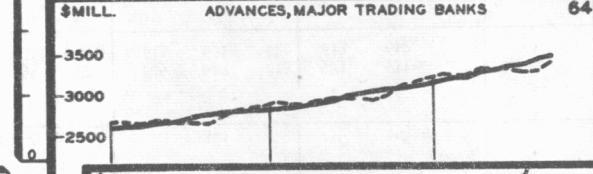
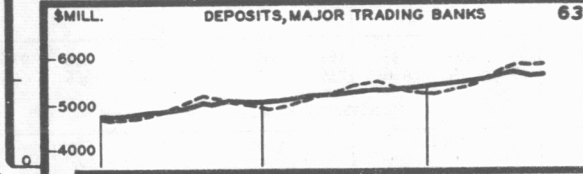
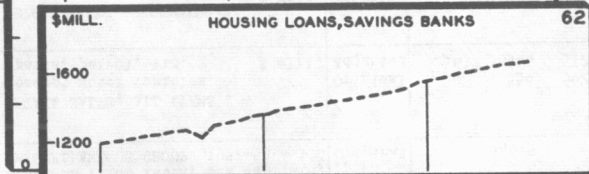
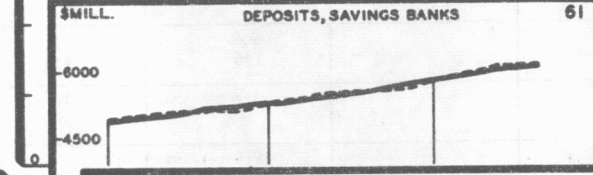
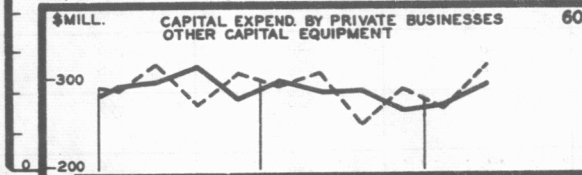
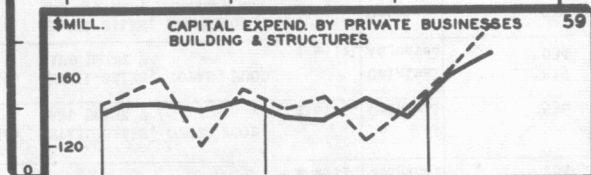
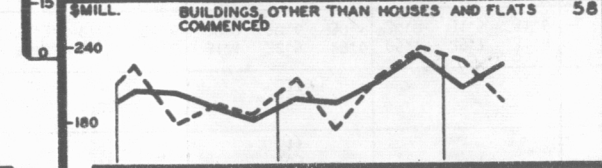
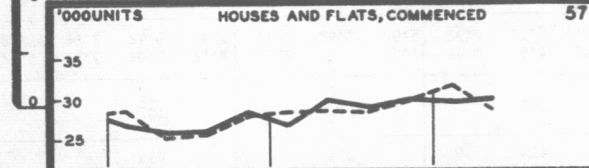
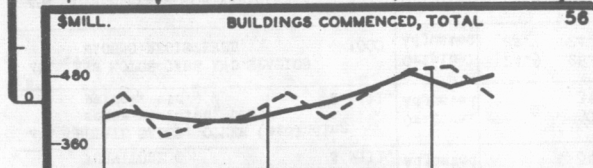
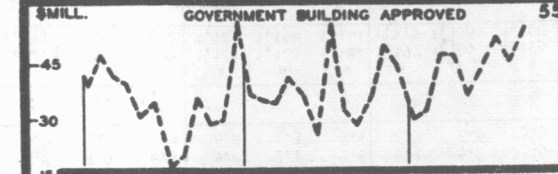
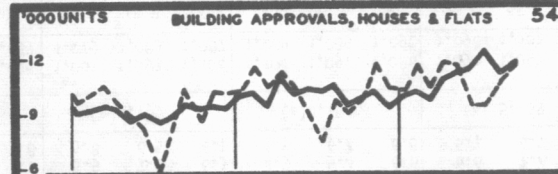
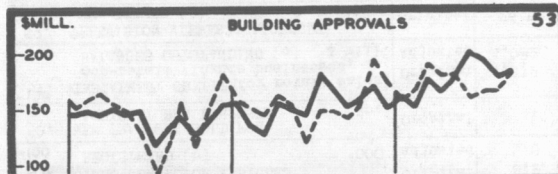


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WAGES, RETAIL PRICES																											
34. AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT	\$	Original	60.00			62.30			58.30			62.40			63.40			66.10									
35. WEEKLY WAGE RATES INDEX, ADULT MALES (a) 1954 = 100		Original	151.7	151.9	152.1	152.2	152.3	152.4	154.3	154.5	154.8	155.1	155.2	155.3	158.9	159.0	159.0	159.0	159.1	159.1							
36. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, ALL GROUPS 1952-53 = 100		Original	137.1			138.4			138.9			140.6			142.5			142.9			143.5						
37. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals FOOD 1952-53 = 100		Original	139.7			140.7			141.6			144.2			148.3			147.0			148.0						
38. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals CLOTHING AND DRAPERY 1952-53 = 100		Original	118.2			119.3			119.7			120.8			121.2			122.0			122.3						
39. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, HOUSING 1952-53 = 100		Original	176.6			178.4			179.5			182.5			184.4			186.7			187.6						
40. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT 1952-53 = 100		Original	114.7			115.1			115.0			115.6			115.8			116.3			116.4						
41. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, MISCELLANEOUS GROUP 1952-53 = 100		Original	146.9			148.9			149.3			150.4			151.5			153.1			153.5						
INTERNAL TRADE																											
42. RETAIL SALES, ALL ITEMS except motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. ø	\$ mill.	Original	540	554	562	565	599	784	543	530	574	558	607	576	572	595	602	605	647	813	*	*					
		Adjusted	563	566	572	576	577	585	584	592	591	589	593	598	606	602	618	613	621	622	613	612					
43. RETAIL SALES, GROCERIES ø	\$ mill.	Original	284			313			281			291			305			333									
44. RETAIL SALES, OTHER FOOD AND DRINK ø	\$ mill.	Original	536			598			569			558			571			631									
45. RETAIL SALES, TOTAL FOOD AND DRINK ø	\$ mill.	Original	819			911			850			849			876			963									
		Adjusted	834			854			865			875			896			909									
46. RETAIL SALES, CLOTHING, ELECTRICAL, HARDWARE AND FURNITURE ø	\$ mill.	Original	530			657			490			582			572			705									
		Adjusted	547			566			567			577			593			611									
47. RETAIL SALES, OTHER (excluding motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc.) ø	\$ mill.	Original	307			381			307			309			322			355									
		Adjusted	319			323			331			331			337			337									
48. NEW MOTOR CARS AND STATION WAGONS REGISTERED	'000	Original	24.9	26.4	25.7	25.6	28.3	27.4	22.2	23.4	27.7	26.0	29.1	27.5	27.3	30.2	28.6	31.4	32.5	29.6	25.7	29.7	31.6				
		Adjusted	24.7	24.5	24.7	25.2	26.5	26.7	27.1	26.0	26.9	26.8	27.3	28.0	27.3	27.6	28.6	30.0	30.6	30.1	30.0	31.5	31.6				
49. OTHER NEW MOTOR VEHICLES REGISTERED (b)	'000	Original	6.2	6.2	6.2	5.9	7.3	6.3	4.9	5.4	6.6	6.6	7.6	6.8	6.8	7.0	6.3	6.9	7.1	5.6	5.4	5.8	5.5				
		Adjusted	5.9	5.8	5.8	5.8	6.5	6.7	6.5	6.4	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.4	6.5	6.7	6.2	6.6	6.3	6.1	6.8	6.6	5.5				
50. NEW TRACTORS SOLD FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES	No.	Original	(e) 3,074			(e) 4,785			(e) 4,754			(e) 5,259			3,528												
51. INSTALMENT CREDIT for retail sales, non-retail finance businesses, BALANCES OUTSTANDING (c)	\$ mill.	Original	1,072	1,072	1,075	1,081	1,093	1,104	1,104	1,091	1,086	1,090	1,097	1,102	1,107	1,119	1,130	1,147	1,168	1,182	1,192	1,189	1,194				
		Adjusted	1,082	1,079	1,077	1,079	1,083	1,087	1,089	1,089	1,092	1,096	1,102	1,114	1,117	1,126	1,132	1,145	1,158	1,164	1,175	1,186	1,200				
52. TELEVISION VIEWERS' LICENCES, NEW ISSUES (d)	'000	Original	26.5	26.8	22.4	22.9	18.8	14.8	16.0	26.9	28.3	20.1	23.6	23.7	23.3	25.4	21.4	21.5	20.1	17.6	16.5						

(a) Weighted average. Excludes rural. (b) Other new vehicles includes utilities, vans, trucks, etc. (c) At end of month. Amounts financed in new agreements made were: June, 1967 \$62.3 m.; July \$60.1 m.; Aug. \$68.9 m.; Sept. \$64.5 m.; Oct. \$73.0 m.; Nov. \$76.7 m.; Dec. \$68.5 m.; Jan. 1967 \$65.7 m., Feb., \$67.1 m.
 (d) Includes new issues of television viewers' licences and new issues of combined television viewers' and broadcast listeners' licences. Ø Items 42-7 exclude Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. Series revised. (e) Excludes wheel tractors of 15 horsepower or less. * Preliminary. † Revised.

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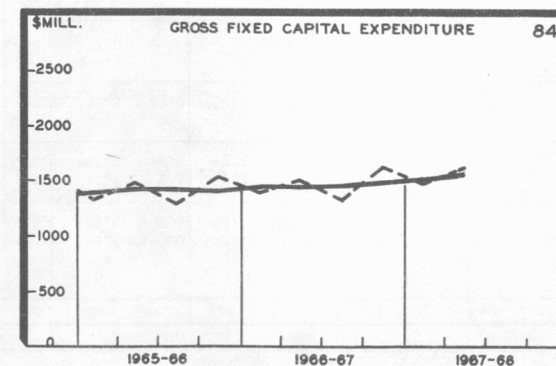
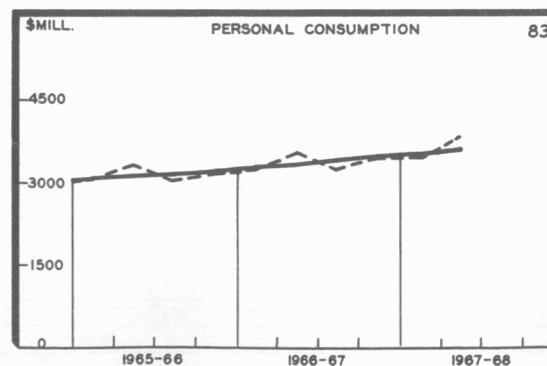
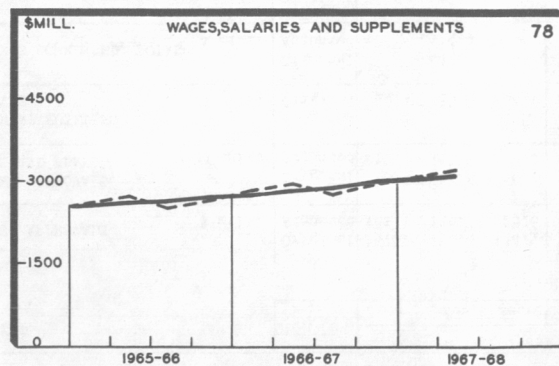
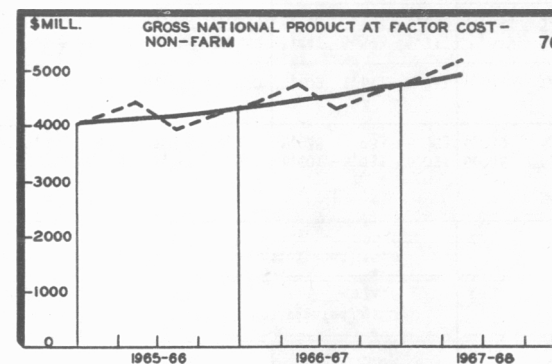
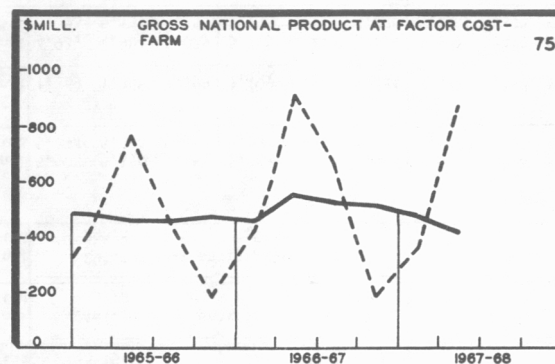
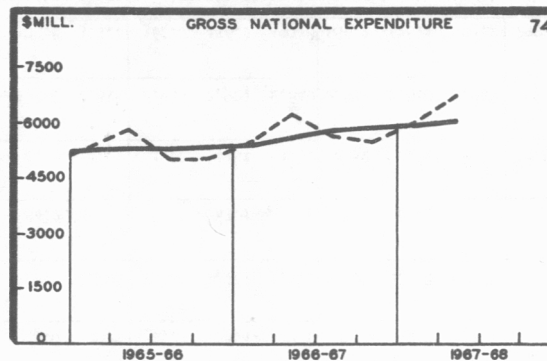
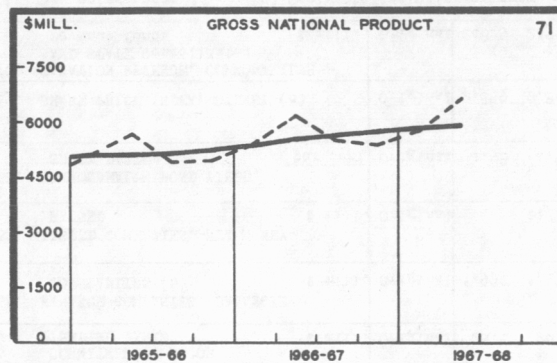
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BUILDING, ETC.																										
53. BUILDING APPROVALS	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	157.2 161.1	152.6 136.7	144.5 128.6	162.9 157.8	155.0 151.0	119.6 145.1	149.8 184.5	147.7 168.6	142.4 151.1	153.6 157.4	195.5 173.6	176.6 150.2	158.3 162.2	168.1 150.6	190.7 178.3	180.4 166.6	181.6 177.5	159.0 202.3	165.1 193.5	165.2 179.4	182.4 184.8			
54. BUILDING APPROVALS, HOUSES AND FLATS	'000 units	Original Adjusted	10.3 10.1	11.6 10.2	10.4 9.4	11.3 11.1	10.4 10.0	8.9 10.4	7.4 10.3	9.8 10.6	9.0 9.4	9.8 9.9	11.8 10.3	10.3 9.4	10.2 10.1	11.7 10.3	10.4 9.8	11.8 10.9	11.6 11.3	9.4 11.5	9.4 12.5	10.8 11.2	11.7 11.8			
55. GOVERNMENT BUILDING APPROVED	\$ mill.	Original	36.4	35.0	34.6	41.8	36.4	25.3	57.2	32.6	28.5	36.7	50.7	44.6	29.8	32.5	48.1	47.7	36.5	43.8	52.1	43.0	52.4			
56. BUILDINGS COMMENCED, TOTAL	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted		447.6 414.8			401.1 435.5			447.6 451.7			484.3 480.5			494.2 457.1			438.5 477.0							
57. HOUSES AND FLATS COMMENCED	'000 units	Original Adjusted		28.5 26.7			28.7 29.8			28.3 29.0			29.6 29.7			31.5 29.4			28.6 29.8							
58. BUILDINGS, OTHER THAN HOUSES AND FLATS, COMMENCED	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted		214.4 196.3			168.9 193.9			216.7 211.8			237.0 234.4			226.7 207.0			193.9 223.0							
59. NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY PRIVATE BUSINESSES Buildings and structures (a)	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	141.3 (293.6 anticipated) 148.4 137.2 135.7						122.0 (285.0 anticipated) 142.5 147.2 136.2						164.7 (335.9 anticipated) 191.0 159.9 174.6											
60. NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY PRIVATE BUSINESSES Other capital equipment (a)	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	291.1 (539.2 anticipated) 303.1 295.8 284.3						245.8 (527.5 anticipated) 288.5 286.5 264.5						266.6 (595.6 anticipated) 315.6 270.7 296.1											
FINANCE																										
61. DEPOSITS, SAVINGS BANKS	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	5,308 5,294	5,356 5,324	5,391 5,357	5,449 5,398	5,474 5,429	5,471 5,455	5,512 5,507	5,544 5,543	5,551 5,587	5,558 5,646	5,623 5,705	5,765 5,765	5,821 5,803	5,890 5,855	5,952 5,917	6,001 5,948	6,031 5,983	6,021 6,003	6,046 6,040	6,071 6,071				
62. HOUSING LOANS, SAVINGS BANKS	\$ mill.	Original	1,369	1,385	1,399	1,409	1,423	1,444	1,448	1,458	1,477	1,488	1,504	1,549	1,559	1,574	1,590	1,602	1,617	1,637	1,643	1,658				
63. DEPOSITS, MAJOR TRADING BANKS	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	4,939 5,083	4,984 5,133	5,029 5,159	5,125 5,193	5,218 5,213	5,298 5,228	5,383 5,267	5,489 5,308	5,516 5,336	5,373 5,294	5,310 5,350	5,265 5,350	5,259 5,416	5,298 5,457	5,342 5,479	5,447 5,518	5,593 5,587	5,717 5,638	5,819 5,694	5,816 5,625	5,832 5,640			
64. ADVANCES, MAJOR TRADING BANKS	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	2,901 2,823	2,866 2,824	2,866 2,856	2,915 2,885	2,931 2,917	2,952 2,977	2,934 3,005	2,912 3,034	2,962 3,048	3,086 3,070	3,137 3,090	3,181 3,119	3,244 3,156	3,229 3,181	3,229 3,219	3,311 3,275	3,312 3,296	3,307 3,337	3,267 3,347	3,288 3,425	3,354 3,451			
65. NEW AND INCREASED LENDING COMMITMENTS, MAJOR TRADING BANKS	\$ mill.	Original	28.6	26.8	25.8	27.4	29.0	30.5	25.7	28.4	42.6	35.2	35.9	31.1	33.0	32.6	30.7	28.5	33.5	34.5	29.7	29.7	34.8			
66. FINANCE COMPANIES, BALANCES OUTSTANDING (b)	\$ mill.	Original	1,992	1,995	2,005	2,021	2,048	2,064	2,062	2,065	2,080	2,078	2,098	2,088	2,107	2,142	2,176	2,192	2,246	2,259	2,277	2,288				
67. LISTED COMPANIES, NEW MONEY RAISED	\$ mill.	Original		117.6			84.2			67.1			40.3			92.4			*							
																			130.4							
68. COMMONWEALTH BOND YIELD, SHORT DATED	per cent	Original	4.98	4.97	4.96	4.97	4.75	4.53	4.50	4.51	4.51	4.52	4.51	4.52	4.53	4.53	4.51	4.51	4.75	4.71	4.80	4.84	4.86			
69. SHARE PRICE INDEX, SYDNEY (c)		Original	2,859	2,838	2,781	2,800	2,780	2,838	2,939	2,907	2,840	2,855	2,860	2,835	2,972	3,132	3,184	3,236	3,330	3,270	3,316	3,423	3,367			
70. TAXATION REVENUE, COMMONWEALTH AND STATE Consolidated revenue funds	\$ mill.	Original	248.9	249.1	252.3	271.5	303.8	307.7	362.0	436.2	490.8	686.2	628.1	597.2	292.9	283.0	287.8	302.8	335.0	326.8	368.7	508.2				

(a) See notes, page 14. (b) Contracts including charges, plus contracts excluding charges. Amounts shown are intended to provide a broad overall measure of total balances outstanding; however, movements may be affected by changes in the proportion of the two components to the total. (c) Average, three years ended June 1939 = 1,000. * Preliminary. † Revised.

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			1966-67				1967-68			
			Sept Qtr	Dec Qtr	March Qtr	June Qtr	Sept Qtr	Dec Qtr	March Qtr	June Qtr
NATIONAL ACCOUNTS										
71. GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT	\$ mill.	Original	5,470	6,285	5,609	5,464	5,844	6,733		
72. <u>plus</u> IMPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES	\$ mill.	Original	899	868	951	972	1,008	967		
73. <u>less</u> EXPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES	\$ mill.	Original	822	835	883	935	855	915		
74. GROSS NATIONAL EXPENDITURE	\$ mill.	Original	5,547	6,318	5,677	5,501	5,997	6,785		
71. GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT	\$ mill.	Adjusted	5,443	5,653	5,769	5,876	5,902	5,986		
72. <u>plus</u> IMPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES	\$ mill.	Adjusted	880	886	971	954	987	988		
73. <u>less</u> EXPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES	\$ mill.	Adjusted	859	812	889	915	892	891		
74. GROSS NATIONAL EXPENDITURE	\$ mill.	Adjusted	5,464	5,727	5,851	5,915	5,997	6,083		
GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT AT FACTOR COST -										
75. FARM	\$ mill.	Original	431	921	660	194	374	880		
		Adjusted	462	560	539	535	489	422		
76. NON-FARM	\$ mill.	Original	4,477	4,784	4,334	4,635	4,864	5,215		
		Adjusted	4,400	4,518	4,601	4,734	4,787	4,932		
77. <u>TOTAL</u>	\$ mill.	Original	4,908	5,705	4,994	4,829	5,238	6,095		
		Adjusted	4,862	5,078	5,140	5,269	5,276	5,354		
78. WAGES, SALARIES AND SUPPLEMENTS	\$ mill.	Original	2,816	2,967	2,770	2,956	3,032	3,214		
		Adjusted	2,793	2,846	2,883	2,997	3,017	3,092		
79. INCOME OF FARM UNINCORPORATED ENTERPRISES	\$ mill.	Original	212	677	444	-5	144	623		
80. OTHER PERSONAL INCOME	\$ mill.	Original	1,056	1,211	1,068	1,272	1,141	1,270		
81. <u>less</u> INCOME TAX PAYABLE and estate and gift duties	\$ mill.	Original	463	577	491	491	520	636		
82. PERSONAL DISPOSABLE INCOME	\$ mill.	Original	3,621	4,278	3,791	3,732	3,797	4,471		
83. PERSONAL CONSUMPTION	\$ mill.	Original	3,248	3,561	3,252	3,443	3,495	3,833		
		Adjusted	3,281	3,347	3,412	3,464	3,536	3,610		
84. GROSS FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	\$ mill.	Original	1,396	1,495	1,313	1,624	1,463	1,617		
		Adjusted	1,451	1,443	1,444	1,483	1,518	1,563		

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10.	15	58.	5
11.	10	59,60	
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